

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AMENDMENT</b>
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Anne FOURNILLIER et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1648
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Application No.: 10/559,431	)	Examiner: Bao Q. Li
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Filed: March 15, 2006	)	Confirmation No.: 1577
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For: COMPOSITION COMPRISING THE	)	
POLYPROTEIN NS3/NS4 AND THE	)	
POLYPEPTIDE NS5B OF HCV,	)	
EXPRESSION VECTORS	)	
INCLUDING THE CORRESPONDING	)	
NUCLEIC SEQUENCES AND THEIR	)	
THERAPEUTIC USE	)	

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2008, Applicants submit herewith the following Amendment and Reply.